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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mohammed N. Islam

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Examiner:

Thong H. Vu

Confirmation No.:

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Title:

OPTICAL ROUTING USING A STAR SWITCHING

FABRIC WITH REDUCED EFFECTIVE SWITCHING TIME

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Official Action mailed April 7, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks.